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In re the Patent Application of )  
Alan Patterson et al. )  
Serial No. )  
Filed: Herewith )  
For: LONG-ACTING OXYTETRACYCLINE )  
COMPOSITION )

Prior Application:  
Examiner: J. Goldberg  
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CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 08/765,475 of Alan Patterson et al., filed on January 9, 1997, for LONG-ACTING OXYTETRACYCLINE COMPOSITION.

1. Submitted herewith is a complete copy of application Serial No. 08/765,475 including the declaration as originally filed and claims as annexed to the International Preliminary Examination Report in PCT/GB95/01583, of which Serial No. 08/765,475 is the U.S. nationalization. The copy of the papers of the prior application as filed and which are submitted herewith are as follows:

7 pages of specification  
2 pages of claims  
2 pages of declaration

2. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION  
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT HERewith

Basic Fee .....	\$395.00
Total Claims 20 - 20 = 0 X \$22 .....	- 0 -
Independent Claims 2 - 3 = 0 X \$74 .....	- 0 -
Total .....	\$395.00

3. A verified statement claiming small entity status was filed in application Serial No. 08/765,475, and small entity status is still proper.

4. A check in the amount of \$395.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-0275:

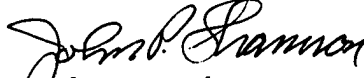
- (x) Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.16
- (x) Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17. However, payment of issue fees under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.18 is NOT authorized.

5. The power of attorney in the parent application is to Richard L. Aitken, Registration No. 18,791; Clifton E. McCann, Registration No. 29,565; John P. Shannon, Registration No. 29,276; Andrew C. Aitken, Registration No. 36,729; David D'Zurilla, Registration No. 36,776; Laurence J. Marhoefer, Registration No. 21,091 and Mark A. Wurm, Registration No. 31,682.

7. A preliminary amendment is attached.

8. Please direct all correspondence regarding this application to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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